

## Alexandria Gazette.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 14, 1904.

## The Peruvians' Sacred Number.

The Peruvians cared nothing for any of the supposed mystic properties of either three, five or seven. To them the four was sacred, and around it they entwined the main features of all their religious ceremonies and queer beliefs. They believed the earth to be a square divided into four parts and suspended from the heavens by four cords—one at each of the four corners. All of their cities were quartered by four principal streets running from a square in the center. They held four annual feasts in honor of the moon, the "silver sister of the sun."

To them eternity was to be divided into four periods of time, each composed of four times 4,000 years, and at the end of each of these cycles the sun is to be blotted out of existence. They prayed to the four winds, or to "ye gods that dwell at the four corners of the earth." To them the rains came from four enormous heavenly turtles that vomited dampness, and the four winds from the lungs of the four gigantic caryatides which stand at the four cardinal points of paradise. The above are but a small portion of the facts alluded to in the legends of the Incas.

## An Antelope That Dwells In Swamps.

The general idea of an antelope pictures it as a swift runner, fleeing in graceful bounds over stretching brown plains. There is an antelope in the Congo region, however, which rarely ventures to the upland, but actually lives in water, spending practically all of its time wading around in the swamps and feeding on swamp growth, such as papyrus and other water plants.

This swamp antelope represents among animals what the heron and other wading birds do among birds, and like these wading birds the swamp antelope has extraordinarily long and thin legs, while its hoofs are wonderfully long and spread out almost as wide as bird's claws when the animals wade in the mud, thus supporting them on the soft bottom.

These swamp antelopes are by no means small animals, but belong to the larger forms of their species. A full grown male is as big as the buck of the fallow deer in Virginia.

## Gondolas of Venice.

A tourist writes: "Like most characteristic objects appertaining to Venice, the gondola is suitable to the place. Even as the hansom cabs suits London or the rickshaw suits Japan or the jaunting car suits Ireland, so the gondola is the vessel for Venice. You cannot separate the lagoon from the gondola. One completes the other." The gondolier is a man given to many onths and imprecations, of which the most terrible is, "Thy salt is a rascal who does not know how to make a decent miracle." The gondoliers are not as much given as they used to be to the singing of the sonorous verses of Tasso by moonlight in their musical pats. Occasionally an outburst of melody is secured by a traveler's coin, and there are always singing, playing and dancing at the inevitable festa.

## Ringing Bells to Swarm Bees.

It is a foolish notion to suppose that the ringing of bells or "tangling" of tin pans will cause a swarm of bees to settle, says Country Life in America. The real origin of this custom dates back to the reign of Alfred the Great, who, in order to prevent disputes regarding the ownership of a swarm, ordered that the owner should always ring a bell when his bees swarmed, and ever since then the good farmer's wife has been rushing out with ringing bells whenever the bees swarmed, and the fact that they settled verified, in her own mind, the belief that the bell did it.

## Force of Habit.

Speaking of force of habit, some years ago there was an iron railing around the capitol grounds at Washington. The appropriation bill provided for a watchman to close and lock the gates every night at a certain hour and open them at a certain hour every morning. In the course of time the railing or fence was removed, but the gates swung between their Egyptian pillars for a long time, and all that time the watchman came and went regularly, closing and opening the gates according to law and drawing his salary.

## Monkey Puzzle Tree.

One of the most remarkable trees in the world grows in California and in place of leaves has spiky scales. The trunk and all of the branches are entirely covered with these scales, which are so sharp that even a monkey would find it out of the question to climb such a tree. Hence its name, "monkey puzzle tree," which is admirably descriptive.

## A Boy's Wild Ride for Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma, but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip proves its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles \$5.00 and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons' drug store.

## Sour Stomach.

When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality too rich, sour stomach is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Masticate the food thoroughly. Let five hours elapse between meals, and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomach after eating, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the sour stomach may be avoided. For sale by Gibson & Timberman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

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"If every suffering woman has the same experience with Wine of Cardui that I had, your medicine will be most popular. About a year ago I began to have a worn out feeling with lassitude, pains in the back and head which kept increasing every month. I felt that I needed something, but to get the right medicine was the trouble. I finally decided on your Wine of Cardui and only needed to take three bottles when I was fully recovered."

When Miss Rose Owens, who has a responsible position in the Government service at Washington, D. C., decided to try Wine of Cardui, she made a wise choice. Over a million women have been relieved of female troubles by this same Wine of Cardui. It is not a same medicine but may be taken every day in the year by any woman with benefit. It does not force results, but corrects derangements of the menstrual organs. It strengthens the nervous system, gives tone to the bodily functions, acts directly on the genital organs, and is the finest tonic for women known to the science of medicine.

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August 18, 1904, Mrs. W. H. Jones, of Cameron, Mo., writes:

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MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the UNION BUILDING COMPANY for the election of a board of directors and for such other business as may be proper will be held at the office of the company, 123 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, September 19, 1904, at 12:30 o'clock p. m.

MYRON M. PARKER, President.

W. SCOTT TOWERS, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders of the AMERICAN LOCOMOTIVE APPLIANCE COMPANY will be held on WEDNESDAY, September 28, 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., at No. 218 King street.

JOHN MILTON, President.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF the stockholders and directors of THE HARBOR & SHIPPER CO. will be held at the office of the company, 123 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., at 4:30 p. m., THURSDAY, September 29, 1904. By order of the President.

C. A. SHAFER, Secretary.

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The Steamers of This Line Will Leave Alexandria

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The Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Co.

Will run DAILY LINE, commencing on Monday, March 30, with their new and powerful iron steamers.

Newport News, Washington and Norfolk.

Leave the wharf at the foot of Prince street at 7:00 p. m.

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The Washington Steamboat Company (limited) on and after March 10, 1904, will operate the steamer GEORGE WASHINGTON between Washington and Alexandria on the following schedule:

LEAVE ALEXANDRIA.—6:40, 8:00, 9:45 and 11:30 a. m.; 1:30, 3:15, 4:50 and 6:30 p. m.

LEAVE WASHINGTON.—6:00, 7:20, 9:00 and 10:30 a. m.; 12:30, 2:30, 4:15 and 5:30 p. m.

Same schedule on Sunday, leaving Washington on first trip at 9 a. m. and Alexandria at 9:45 a. m.

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HEADLESS ROE HERRING, cleaned and packed on shore when caught; also Prices Roe Herring for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

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